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Medical Epidemiologist

Division of Public Health office of Protection Epidemiology Section

Job Description

The Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health is seeking a Medical Epidemiologist for the Acute Disease Epidemiology Section of the Office of Protection and Safety.

Serves as a member of the Protection and Safety Epidemiology Unit senior staff, with responsibility for coordination of

Under general supervision, the position will serve as a member of the Acute Disease Epidemiology Section senior staff, with responsibility for coordination of all infectious disease outbreak investigations; develops, implement, and maintain a continuous quality improvement process for outbreak investigations, working with County, District, and State staff. Additional duties include, but are not limited to:

- Participate in the National Outbreak Reporting System (NORS, formerly known as eFORS) by entering reports of foodborne outbreak investigations and monitoring the quality, timeliness, and completeness of reports.
- Work closely with District staff to monitor surveillance data and reporting of suspicious symptoms and/or illnesses; conducts epidemiologic investigations and surveys as surveillance reports warrant.
- Maintain an electronic system for an outbreak management (OMS) that captures outbreak data related to cases, contacts, investigation, exposures, relationships and other parameters in compliance with PHIN (Public Health Information Network) and other preparedness goals. Analyzes OMS data and develops summary reports.
- Conduct a formalized outbreak investigation evaluation process that includes detailed, peer-based assessments to identify gaps, barriers, and training opportunities.
- Provide epidemiology training to District Epidemiology staff and provides secondary supervision to the CDC EIS Officer assigned to Georgia.

The incumbent will also assist in the preparation of reports of findings and maintain knowledge of current epidemiologic methods, infectious disease epidemiology, and developments in the area of bioterrorism preparedness and response.

Preferred Qualifications:

Preference will be given to applicants who in addition to meeting the minimum qualifications, possess experience in the following:

o Completion of a recognized training program in applied epidemiology (e.g. CDC Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS), FETP-Australia, FETP-Canada).

Qualifications

Completion of a Doctoral degree in Medicine, Dentistry, or Veterinary Medicine

AND

Completion of a Master's degree in Public Health or a closely related field

AND

One year of clinical and/or applied epidemiological work experience.

Benefits

In addition to a competitive starting salary (\$62,923 - \$86,467), we offer a generous benefits package that includes employee retirement plan, deferred compensation, 12 paid holidays, vacation & sick leave, dental, vision, long term care, and life insurance.

Note: Currrent state employees are subject to the statewide salary plan administration. This position is a pay grade 21 on the statewide salary plan.

Employment Information

This position is located in metro Atlanta.

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Applying for this job

Please your cover letter and resume in Microsoft Word format to: ph2@dhrjobs.com

To ensure proper routing/handling of your credentials, please **type** the following as your email subject: **Medical Epidemiologist**

The candidate selected for this position may be subject to pre-employment drug screening, a criminal background check and reference check.

Currently, the Division of Public Health does not undertake H1-B Visa sponsorship of job applicants or employees.

The Georgia Department of Human Resources provides services to ensure the health and welfare of Georgians. As an employee of DHR, in the event of an identified emergency, you may be required, as a term and condition of employment, to assist in meeting the emergency responsibilities of the Department.

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